

THE BOYS OF THE A.I.F.

Australia's War Song



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X 2/1 PIONEER BATTALION, 2ND A.I.F. X

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Marcia

PIANO

The Marcia section begins with a piano introduction. The music is in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The piano part consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a melody of eighth and sixteenth notes, while the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The first system ends with a repeat sign.

Verse

1. Fair land of Aus - tra - lia so won - der - ful to see ——— Where pi - on - eers have
2. Fair land of Aus - tra - lia we're migh - ty proud of you ——— The no - ble An - zacs

The Verse section follows the Marcia. It features a vocal melody line and piano accompaniment. The piano part continues with a similar harmonic style. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a repeat sign.

blazed the trail, to make our coun - try free, ——— And now the war - clouds ga - ther To
played the game, in days gone by it's true, ——— And now comes Ar - ma - ged - don To

The second system of the Verse section. The vocal melody continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic support. The system ends with a repeat sign.

warn us of a coming fight ——— And we must stand to - geth - er in a cause we know is right. ———
mar the peace up - on our shore ——— The na - tions all are head - ing to a - noth - er great world - war. ———

The third system of the Verse section. The vocal melody concludes the verse. The piano accompaniment provides a final harmonic support. The system ends with a repeat sign.

Chorus

Aus - tra - lia's sons with bay'nets and guns are rea - dy for the fray, — They've

answered the call of the mo - ther - land in the cri - sis of to - day. —

Moving a-way at the firm com - mand of quick march! left! right! left! —

Swinging along with a cheer and a song, The boys of the A. L. F. Aus. F.